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Sent: 4/5/2012 1:53:46 PM
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CC: Pocsik Mark [mpocsik@facil.umass.edu]; Nathhorst Richard P. [nathhorst@facil.umass.edu]
Subject: Morrill I Construction Noise this Saturday at 7:00 AM

All,

Yesterday at mid-day the Vivarium contractors decided, unannounced, to jackhammer out a temporary concrete slab on the slope to the south of Morrill I, which was loud, vibrating and caused diesel fumes to enter the building. Fortunately we were quickly made aware of the situation and stopped the work less than five minutes after it started.

The contractors, having been reprimanded (yet again) for this rather reckless act, have now requested permission to remove the concrete slab this Saturday, starting at 7:00 AM. Instead of jackhammering the slab into pieces, they will cut the slab with concrete saws, then remove it by hand so as to minimize vibration. The slope will then be backfilled and restored, without vibratory compaction.

Class schedules indicate that there are no classes scheduled on Saturday, and this appears to be a good day to get this work completed. Could you please tell me if there are any other activities that I should be aware of before granting permission? Should we put this off a week or two to allow ourselves to prepare?

Thanks for your patience and feedback,

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Cc: Pocsik Mark; Greg DeMarsico; Dennis Sullivan; 'John Fleming'; Bob Ouellette
Subject: Morrill I Fire Alarm Testing on Tuesday Morning 4/3/12 at 6:30 AM

All,

Last month the contractors ran a fire alarm test, which revealed that they had to make some changes. So unfortunately we will be subjected to another short fire alarm test next Tuesday, 4/3/12, from 6:30AM to 7:30AM, when the building-wide alarms may be set off for brief periods. The contractors will endeavor to minimize this disruption, but codes require that the alarm system be fully heard and seen in action.

Provided that this test goes well, two additional tests will also be required, approximately two and four weeks following. We will schedule these in the early morning to minimize disruption to your operations.

Thanks for your patience,

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Cc: Pocsik Mark
Subject: RE: Morrill I, Fire Alarm Testing on Wednesday Moring, 6:15 AM

All,

Believe it or not, the Morrill I Vivarium project is nearing completion, with inspections and training being scheduled. Of importance to the building's current occupants, a Fire Alarm and Sprinkler test is scheduled for Wednesday, 2/7/12 at 6:15 AM until about 7:30. During that period, the building fire alarm will be briefly activated a few times to determine that the new fire alarm and sprinkler systems installed do, in fact, set off the building alarm system. Once that piece is determined, the rest of the tests should be done quietly.

Thanks for your patience,

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